

REMARKS

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on September 12, 2005. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested. The Examiner has stated claims 1-14 are pending/rejected in this Application, and of these claims, claims 1, 5, 13, and 14 are independent. Claims 5, 7, 8, and 10 are currently amended. Claims 1-4, 6, 9, and 11-14 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 15-21 are new. Applicants submit that the amendments to the claims and the added claims are supported by the originally filed specification. No new matter has been introduced. Applicants acknowledge Examiner's acceptance of the terminal disclaimer filed on August 9, 2005.

Applicants have carefully reviewed the applied art, including Bosch (3,837,020), Freedlander (2,847,685), Hirschman (871,871), Morgan (5,379,470), Harris (4,169,294), and Gladney et al (6,519,798).

Claims 1, 2, and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bosch. Claims 1 to 4 and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Freedlander. Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hirschman. Claims 5, 6, 13, and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Morgan. Claims 6 to 8 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hirschman as applied to claim 5 and further in view of Freedlander. Claims 5, 6, 8, 13, and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Harris (4,169,294).

Claim 5 has been amended to eliminate the specific measurements listed, and to include the limitations of claims 9 and 11. While claims 9 and 11 have been rejected, the Examiner has not raised any specific objections to these claims or given any reasons for rejecting them. Upon careful review of the applied art, Applicants believe that the combination of claims 5, 9, and 11 as reflected in currently amended claim 5 should be allowed. Since claims 7-8, 10, and 15-21 depend, directly or indirectly, from independent claim 5, claims 7-8, 10, and 15-21 should also be allowed.

In view of the above remarks, Applicants believe the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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Applicant believes a fee is due with this response. If additional fees are due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-1945, under Order No. SMCY-P04-062 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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